

## CLAIM PUBLIC PAYS

### Plumbers Say Household Loss by Masters' Methods.

#### CHARGE WORK IS INFERIOR

Local Labor Men Pleased by News of Gompers' Election—No Strike Expected Among Postal Telegraph Operators—Interest Aroused in the Coming Election of Bookbinders.

"I wish," said a member of Journeymen Plumbers' Union, No. 5, yesterday, "The Washington Herald would publish our side of the controversy with the master plumbers, and leave it to the public to judge of the truth of our statement. My name is Downey, and what I am to tell you is well known to every one of our members.

"The matter is really one in which the public is vitally interested, because it is the public that pays the bills. The entire dispute came about through the rapacity of the master plumbers, who desire to employ incapable 'helpers,' whom they pay a few dollars weekly, but for whose services they charge full union wages.

"Just ask the public what sort of help is sent to their houses when they apply for a plumber, what sort of service is rendered, and what prices they pay. A helper is not an apprentice, though he should be. I know of one man who worked as a 'helper' for fifteen years, and now he is driving an ice wagon. He never learned the trade. We will take boys and make good, competent mechanics of them, without cost to the master plumbers or any one else. But we can't teach them all, for the reason that so many are employed to do the work that we should do."

"That is true," said another member of the union. "It was our objections to having our work taken over by these irresponsible, cheaply paid helpers and boys that really led to the lockout.

"And it is the public that suffers in the long run, for the public pays the bills for leaky pipes, insanitary drainage, and the thousand and one ills and expenses that result from the employment of this sort of labor."

Numerous expressions of satisfaction, though none of surprise, were heard yesterday in Washington at the re-election of Samuel Gompers, as president of the American Federation of Labor at the close of the two weeks' session of that body at Minneapolis.

Members and friends of the Knights of Labor declared yesterday that Mr. Gompers' re-election represented a triumph, as it emphasized the fact that the entrance of the American Federation of Labor into the field of politics, under its president's leadership during the recent campaign, is approved by the Federation.

Postal telegraph operators discourage the opinion that a strike may result because of reported dissatisfaction over certain conditions in the main office in this city. It is understood that the interview which W. W. Beattie, E. M. Canada, and W. N. Patton, representing the operators, had in New York Friday with W. H. Baker, general manager of the Postal, was eminently satisfactory to the committee.

It is expected that the three members of the navy yard wage board will make their report to Secretary Bonaparte during the present week. No expression is obtainable concerning the efforts of the committee of Columbia Lodge, which, representing that organization, has requested a general advance in the wages of the navy yard machinists for 1907.

Much interest is evinced in the coming election of officers for Bookbinders' Union, No. 4, which will probably take place Tuesday night, unless a special meeting is called for the purpose. The withdrawal of P. J. Flanagan, vice president, from the nomination, representing the two candidates for that office—J. L. Feeney, the incumbent, and Joseph McManus, Joseph Van Overmeer, it is said, will contest with Mr. Flanagan for the position of vice president.

As announced in yesterday's Washington Herald, Judge George Gray, of Delaware, former chairman of the Anthracite Coal Commission, has consented to act as umpire between P. J. Conlon and Alfred P. Thom, the first representing the machinists of the Southern Railway Company, who ask an advance of wages, and the second representing the company.

It is understood that Mr. Conlon must file his brief with Judge Gray by December 1, furnishing a copy to Mr. Thom, who will have until December 20 to make answer, after which Mr. Conlon will be allowed to make rejoinder any time before the last day of the year. The decision of the umpire is expected early in January. In the meantime, matters under discussion will remain in abeyance.

While the master builders and the representatives of the various trades were engaged in a three-hour discussion of the controversy between the master plumbers and the journeymen plumbers last night, the latter were making merry at the ball given by Local No. 5, at the National Rifles' Armory, on G street, near Ninth. The ball was largely attended.

**A New Elevator Device.**

Elevators are fraught with much danger, such as breaking of hoisting cables, breaks in machinery, and causing loss of life through neglect of operators to close doors when car leaves.

Almost daily papers mention some one injured through open elevator doors. Several such accidents have occurred in Washington during the past year. Numerous devices have been patented, but none seems to meet requirements.

The public has been shown a device for opening, closing, locking, and unlatching elevator doors automatically, patented by Capt. Hugh Watson, of New Orleans, La., a well-known steamship and airplane journalist of that State, but now an attaché of the office of the Auditor for the Post-office Department in Washington, D. C.

With Capt. Watson's device it is impossible for doors to remain open after car has left floor, no matter how careless conductors may be. Operators need never touch the door.

The mechanism is simple; any one can become familiar with it in a few hours. Each floor is independent. Should the motor on any floor get out of order the arrangement is such that the entire device can be detached from the door instantly.

Owners of buildings desiring safety should look into merits of this device. The recent frightful accident to a lady who was crippled for life in Treasury Department, instant death of another in State War, and Navy Building, finding body of a boy at bottom of elevator shaft in Northwest Washington, horrible death of most highly respected lady in Capitol Building, protest as to the lax measures used to prevent the loss of life in elevators, and the fact that the loss of one innocent life is worth the cost of a thousand of these devices, and where safety is desired an investigation would pay.

A company, "The Watson Elevator Safety Appliance Company," has been chartered under the laws of the State of Virginia, with a capital of \$75,000, divided into shares at \$100 each.

A limited amount of stock is for sale. Any one interested in seeing the working model with a view of investing would do well to address the inventor.

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## BAZAAR PROVES A SUCCESS.

### Chinese Laundry Makes a Hit at Christ Church.

The fair and bazaar for the benefit of the choir of Christ Church, Georgetown, which was held Thursday and Friday of last week at 309 P street, proved a big success. One of the unique features was the Chinese laundry, presided over by Mrs. Dowies Wilson and Miss Bell, assisted by Miss Walshe, Miss Shoemaker, Miss Muller, and Miss DeLashmott.

A vaudeville show was presented, including popular songs by a chorus of seven young ladies, comprising Miss Louise Weeden, Miss Elizabeth Weeden, Miss Blake, Miss Vass, Miss Cole, Miss Falls, and Miss Laub; recitations in negro dialect by Miss Cole, and "Hamlet's Soliloquy" by Master Robert Bell.

The fair was under the direction of the following women: Mrs. Matthews, Mrs. Duncan Bradley, Mrs. Dickinson, Mrs. Reese, Miss Dorsett, Miss Grames, Miss Hubbard, Miss Ball, and Mrs. Knowles.

#### P. O. CLERKS WANT 8 HOURS.

##### Railway Distributors Also Seek Expenses While on Duty.

The Post-office Department has been advised that the members of commerce throughout the country are being urged by the chambers of a number of Pacific Coast cities to press upon their Senators and Representatives the importance of favorable action upon a petition signed by 10,000 railway postal clerks, in which certain changes in the postal regulations and laws are asked.

The Los Angeles chamber, H. B. Gurvey acting secretary, is sending out a letter to other business bodies in which he asks assistance.

The principal things asked in the petition of the clerks are that the eight-hour law principle be applied to their work, and that they be allowed their expenses while on duty.

## NEW PLANS FOR THE FAIR

### Washington Reception Room to Be Special Feature.

#### Architects Are Selected—Contract for the Construction of All Government Buildings Is Awarded.

Action was taken yesterday by the sub-committee on scope of the joint committee for the Washington display at the Jamestown Exposition, looking to the fitting up of the reception room or public booth. This booth will be about fifteen feet wide and thirty feet deep, one end of the space being reserved for the commercial exhibit, and will be a general meeting place for Washingtonians who attend the exposition.

The committee yesterday decided to engage the services of the architects, Wood, Dunn & Deming, to design a scheme of walls and compartments for this booth. In general, it will be fitted up with panels upon the sides. Within the panels space will be sold to firms, schools, and others who will place in them photographs and ornamental designs, to be accepted by the committee. The booth will be furnished in a manner to be attractive, and every effort will be made to have it regarded as the best feature of the Washington exhibit.

The contract for the construction of all the government buildings at the Jamestown Exposition, including the life-saving station, was awarded by the Treasury Department yesterday to George Moore & Sons, of Nashville, Tenn. The contract price is \$227,000, and the work must be completed by April 15.

The attitude of the municipal authorities toward the establishment of manufacturing in the District, as brought out in the letter of the Thomas Somerville Company to the Jobbers and Shippers' Association, and the comment thereon by the directors on Friday night, was the subject of much comment yesterday. Many persons among the business men were found to sympathize with the statement of the board and to criticize the action of the authorities as having the moral effect, at least, of scaring manufacturers away from the District.

#### MAINTAINS SEARCH FOR BOY.

##### Stepfather Obtains Employment in City to Continue Hunt.

In hopes of receiving some news of his stepson, Earl Cobley, who disappeared from Rome, N. Y., about October 1, his stepfather, Frederick McAllister, has secured employment in Washington and will stay here to give the detectives every assistance in finding the lad.

The boy's mother is in a nervous condition at her home, which prevented her taking the trip to Washington. A letter mailed by the boy from Washington to her some time ago is the only word she has had of him since his disappearance.

The police believe the boy may have come to Washington from some near-by town to post the letter for the purpose of misleading his parents.

Mr. McAllister says last night that the lad was an excitable fellow, and had a great desire to work for himself, while his parents thought that a year or two longer in school would be of benefit to him.

#### NO SPECIAL HEBREW LAWS.

##### Russian Council of State Will Not Give Separate Consideration.

Ambassador Meyer has reported to the State Department from St. Petersburg that at a sitting of the council of state on October 27, the problem of according ordinary political rights to the Hebrews was discussed, and it was finally decided not to deal separately with it, but to regard it as forming part of the general question of granting equal political rights to all nationalities in the Russian Empire.

#### Is Brought Back for Trial.

William J. Wilson, the fluent conversationalist, who succeeded in obtaining four pictures from Artist Murphy, of New York, some time ago under alleged false pretenses, has been brought to Washington for trial. Detective Horne, who has made several trips to Philadelphia for the prisoner, whom he took into custody yesterday, returned with him to this city. One of the pictures have been recovered, the other two having mysteriously disappeared.

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## IN THE FRATERNITIES

### Catholic Knights Plan Party on Thanksgiving.

#### WILL GIVE A BRILLIANT BALL

Ritualistic Committee of the Knights of Pythias Jubilee Board of Managers Propose to Make Programme of December 7 the Most Successful and Elaborate Ever Seen Here.

#### Club and Society Meetings To-day.

Catholic Total Abstinence Union—Weekly meeting in Good Samaritan Hall.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul—Meeting of all conferences, excluding Immaculate Conception and Holy Trinity.

Woman's Christian Temperance Union—Meeting in First Congregational Church, Tenth and G streets northwest, 3 p. m.

Young Men's Christian Association—Mass meeting in Association building on G street.

Boys' Department, Y. M. C. A.—Combination meeting in Boys' building, 1732 G street northwest.

Local branches of the Catholic Knights of America have completed arrangements for the twenty-third annual donation party, entertainment, and ball to be given in Convention Hall, Thanksgiving evening, for the benefit of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum. This entertainment has come to be looked upon as the social event in Catholic circles in the District, and so great is the interest manifested in it and so large the attendance in recent years that it has been found necessary to engage the largest hall in the city for the accommodations of its patrons this year. It is a source of satisfaction to the Catholic Knights that the general interest has kept pace with the ever-increasing needs of St. Joseph's Asylum, and they feel confident that the general results this year will surpass those of former years. Never in the history of the asylum has it housed and cared for so many orphans as in the past year, and the unusually large number of inmates, together with the increased cost of living and the fact that Congress no longer makes any provision for this institution, makes it necessary for a generous response to the efforts of the Catholic Knights.

During the past week the committee on donation, of which M. A. Keane is chairman, has been making a canvass among the business men for donations. The Sisters in charge of the orphans will thankfully receive any contribution in money, food, or otherwise, if left at the asylum, on H street, between Ninth and Tenth, northwest, or at Convention Hall on Thanksgiving evening.

**Macfarland Will Speak.**

The programme for the evening will be divided into two parts, an entertainment preceding the ball. Commissioner Macfarland will open the entertainment with an address, and widely known local talent will be heard.

J. Henry Buscher will be master of ceremonies at the ball, Dr. A. D. Wilkinson, floor manager, and Mr. P. J. Nee assistant floor manager. They will be assisted by the following members of the floor committee, selected from local Catholic clubs: W. H. Delacy, Dr. W. P. Kenedy, Dr. Thomas F. Lowe, Francis T. Hurley, J. H. Borger, T. J. Donovan, T. B. McNamee, W. H. Harrison, Julius Wenig, J. G. Miller, J. F. Maley, F. A. Maguire, M. P. Walsh, T. F. Sweeney, W. B. O'Connor, George L. Dant, T. K. Gallagher, James A. O'Shea, W. P. Normoyle, H. A. Marsden, Dr. W. E. Palro, A. A. Wescher, John J. Gorman, W. H. McCarthy, C. J. Columbus, E. P. Harrington, John O. Allen, L. P. Harlow, J. Toomey, L. J. Costigan, and George J. Borger.

There will be a supper table, refreshment and flower booths in charge of Mrs. William Schwing and Mrs. A. B. Coppes, who will be assisted by Mesdames Becker, Herold, Harvey, and Ruppert, and Misses Miller, Herold, Fennell, Hess, Becker, and Devoe. A Thanksgiving supper will be served, and fruits, ices, sherbets, confectionery, and flowers for sale.

The arrangements have been made by the members of the following committees: Executive committee, E. J. Hannan, chairman; M. A. Mess, vice chairman; John A. Madigan, secretary, and N. J. Sweeney, treasurer. Committees on press, advertising, and entertainment, Dr. A. D. Wilkinson, chairman; William Delacy, and P. J. Nee, committee on hall and music; William McGuire, chairman; John Elbert, Horvath, J. Burwell, Jennie Page Avery, Ella Parke Parry, Mrs. E. W. Smith, Mrs. Frank J. Brown, Mrs. A. Littlejohn, Miss K. Kisecker, Mrs. E. R. Noyes, Florence A. Pierce, Mrs. J. R. Littlefield, Mrs. D. W. Higgins, Miss C. Baughn, Mrs. J. S. Neate, Clara T. Anderson, Lily Alexander, Miss E. Jones, Mrs. A. J. Wheeler, Lullie Skippin, Florence A. Pierce, Mrs. J. F. Wood, Miss E. D. R. Glover, Miss L. B. Bryan, Miss L. Evans, Miss Tessie Zerega.

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**"BLISSFUL PROPHET" COMING.**

Mrs. Elizabeth Towne Will Speak Here on Next Towne Principle.

Mrs. Elizabeth Towne, of Holyoke, Mass., the "Blissful Prophet," will deliver a lecture at Raucher's next Sunday afternoon, under the direction of the National New Thought Center of Washington, on "A Tale of Real Life, and Some Moods."

Mrs. Towne will explain the philosophy of living from the mental science point of view. She says:

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Mrs. Towne is the editor of the Nautilus, and has written several books. The first issue of the Nautilus was a single sheet, but to-day it has seventy-two pages, and has an extensive circulation in Europe, and subscribers in nearly every country of the globe, whether civilized or barbarous.

The local New Thought Center will give Mrs. Towne a reception in its rooms in the Washington Loan and Trust Building on Monday afternoon, December 3, and an invitation is extended to the public to attend both lecture and reception.

#### FENCERS WILL DEFEND CUP.

The Washington Fencers' Club is now hard at work getting a team in shape to defend the Cassini Cup, the competition for which will be held on February 2, 1907, in the clubrooms.

Among the new members recently elected are: H. S. H. Prince, naval attaché; W. A. Edwards, of the Netherlands Legation; A. C. Cunningham, U. S. N.; C. F. Cabrera, Nathan Wyeth, and Henry T. Pratt.

#### ELKS TO PAY TRIBUTE TO DEAD.

Washington Lodge Holds Annual Memorial Service, December 2.

Washington Lodge, No. 15, B. P. O. Elks, will hold its annual memorial service Sunday evening, December 2, at the New National Theater, commencing at 8 o'clock.

The United States Marine Band will furnish the instrumental music. The vocal numbers will be rendered by the Elks' quartet, and orators of national reputation will deliver addresses.

The executive committee in charge of the event is composed of M. G. McCormick, chairman; J. E. Summers, secretary; Lloyd B. Brooke, Frank B. Clark, Jacob Heid, A. C. Hutchinson, J. William Lee, George A. Mason, John C. Maxwell, Sol. Morris, W. H. Sintelmann, Charles H. Uermehle, and James L. Ward.

#### TALK ABOUT PAINTERS.

Delineation of Frontier Life Discussed at Art Club.

"Painters of Frontier Life," a paper by Miss Catherine B. Marlow, was the principal topic of discussion at a meeting of the Columbia Heights Art Club, in the home of the newly elected vice president of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. J. Finney Engle.

Miss Marlow's treatment of her subject showed her love of her native land and her ambition for and appreciation of typical American art.

She dwelt principally upon the works of the less well-known artists, such as Catlin, Mrs. Edith Emerson, in her paper, "The Nile," also interested her audience.

Mrs. Marlow read an original poem, entitled "The Tourist Refrain of the Nile."

Mrs. M. B. Tullock read a paper on her travels in Egypt.

#### Shield of Honor Lodge Visited.

At the official visitation, Iris Lodge, No. 36, Shield of Honor, was complimented by Grand Master Adrian Hughes and the Grand officers of Maryland and the District on the work it was doing and the members it was bringing into the fold. Two new members were initiated on the night of the visitation.

#### D. O. S. R. Gives Annual Ball.

Columbia Bund, No. 31, and Koenig Luise Bund, No. 4, D. O. S. R., will give their annual ball to-morrow evening at Masonic Temple. All arrangements have been completed, and the officers of the two bunds are confident of a most successful entertainment.

#### To Tell About Ecuador.

Hon. Joseph W. Lee, United States Minister to Ecuador, will be the next speaker before the National Geographic Society at the popular course meeting to be held in National Rifles' Armory, 929 G street northwest, Friday evening. Mr. Lee will take as his topic "Beautiful Ecuador."

#### Give St. Cecilia Concert.

At a musicale given by the pupils of Holy Cross Academy, on Connecticut avenue, in honor of St. Cecilia, the young ladies participating made an excellent impression on their audience, rendering a difficult programme in excellent style.



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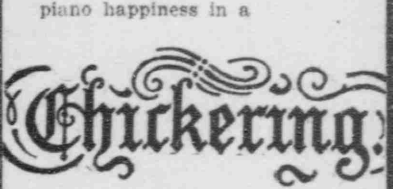
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